## REQUEST CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 3, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled <u>HIGH PRESSURE ANNEALS OF INTEGRATED CIRCUIT STRUCTURES.</u>

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on . 1. \_\_
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on . 2. \_\_

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An Amendment (8 pages) is enclosed. 3. <u>X</u>

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4. \_\_ A new power of attorney ( pages ) is enclosed.

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- An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed ( pages ). 5. \_\_
  - Form(s) 1449
  - Copies of IDS Citations Ъ.
- A check in the amount of <u>0.00</u> is attached to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees of \$790.00 and \$130.00 to Deposit 7. X Account No. 19-0743.
- A Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application ( pages ) is enclosed along with a check in the amount of to pay the extension fee.
- Others: A Petition to Withdraw from Issue (1 pg.). 9. X

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